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1. JP 2000-707 A, published January 7, 2000 to Hitachi Seiki Co., Ltd.
2. JP 5-44440 U, published June 15, 1993 to Okuma Corporation.
3. JP 9-300159 A, published November 25, 1997 to Okuma Corporation.
4. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0169392 A1, published August 3, 2006 to Akiyama et al.

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